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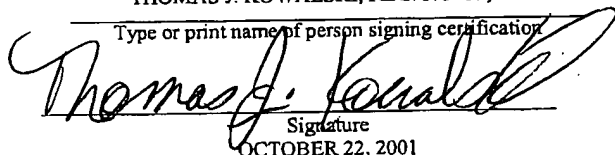
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Dear Sir:

This is in response to the September 20, 2001 Office Action, which set a one month period for response (with October 20 having been a Saturday, such that the response to the Office Action, without any extension of time, is due October 22, 2001).

The invention of Group II, i.e., claims 20-35, 50-52, 55-57, 59, 61, 65 and 67-70, is elected, with traverse.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction - or at the very least a reformulation of the requirement for restriction - are respectfully requested in view of the remarks herewith.

The September 20 Office Action required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and 372 from:

Group I. Claim 1-19, 36-49, 53, 54, 58, 60 and 65, drawn to DNA, vectors, transformed cells and a method for making a peptide.